

Wisconsin Department of Transportation
ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION OF FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT ACTIONS

Project I.D. 4190-10-01	Funding Source <input type="checkbox"/> State Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal
Project Termini 3 rd Street – Broadway STH 32, City of De Pere Brown County	Federal Number BR 1999 422
	Estimated Project Cost (Include R/W Acquisition) \$15.2 million to 21.4 million (depending on the alternative selected)

<p>It is determined, after review of the comments from the public, and coordination with other agencies, that this action would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. This document is a</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Assessment (EA) No Significant Impacts Indicated by Initial Assessment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Assessment (EA) EIS Required</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Report (2-ER)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Programmatic Environmental Report (2-pER)</p>
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1) Description of Proposed Action (Attach project location map and other appropriate graphics).

The proposed project is located in the center of the downtown business district of the City of De Pere. The City of De Pere is approximately two miles south of the City of Green Bay on the Fox River ([Exhibit 1](#)). (612 KB)
The present City was formed in 1890, with the merger of the City of De Pere (commonly referred to as East De Pere) and the City of West De Pere. The City of De Pere currently occupies an area of approximately 10.4 square miles, 60 percent of which is located on the west side of the river and 40 percent on the east side. The city has an estimated 2001 population of 20,777.

The city is served by several Federal and State highway systems including USH 41, STH 57, and STH 32. USH 41 runs north and south along the west edge of the City. STH 57 (Broadway) is designated as a Long Truck Route running north and south along the east side of the river through the City's Central Business District. STH 32 (Broadway/Main Avenue) runs from the southeast to the northwest, connecting the east and west sides of the community, via a bridge across the Fox River, known locally as the Claude Allouez Bridge. The section of Broadway (STH 57) proceeding north from the George Street intersection, as well as the Claude Allouez Bridge and STH 32 to the west of Broadway are on the National Highway System. The bridge also carries local traffic between George Street (County Highway G) on the east side of the river to Main Avenue on the west side. The Claude Allouez Bridge is the only crossing of the Fox River in the City of De Pere.

The proposed action consists of the replacement of the Claude Allouez Bridge along with the reconstruction of the approach roadways and intersections terminating at the east and west ends of the bridge. The project is proposed to start at the intersection of Reid Street and 3rd Street on the west side of the Fox River and end near the intersection of Broadway and Lewis Street on the east side. The project is also proposed to include the reconstruction of Broadway, through the east side Central Business District from George Street to Cass Street, reconstruction of George Street from Broadway to Wisconsin Street, as well as the reconstruction of Charles Street and Wisconsin Street on a new alignment from Broadway to George Street. ([Exhibit 2](#)) (101 KB)

Improving this segment of roadway is critical to maintaining the long-term functionality of two transportation systems through the region, a segment of the Long Truck Route and a segment of the National Highway system. The improvements to the corridor will ultimately result in modernization of the bridge in association with providing adequate approach roadway safety and capacity improvements.

During the initial planning phases for this project, a number of replacement bridge alternatives were identified. As a result of initial planning and evaluation, the proposed action is intended to replace the existing two-lane bascule bridge with a single four-lane fixed span bridge or two two-lane fixed span bridges. Regardless of the alternatives under consideration, the structure(s) are proposed to include bicycle lanes and sidewalks. In addition, several expanded pedestrian overlook areas are being considered on the bridge. The ultimate configuration and location of overlooks will ultimately be dependent on the railing types and locations. The approach roadways and adjoining intersections will be expanded to reduce traffic congestion and enhance traffic movement. Improvements are anticipated on 3rd Street on the west side of the river and Broadway, George Street, and Wisconsin Street on the east side.